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SUBJECT: WILKINS/VESCO STORY: EXCELSIOR SERIES ON WILKINS

1. EXCELSIOR TODAY, JULY 7, CARRIES SEVENTH AND LAST
OF SUBJECT SERIES. IT ASSERTS THAT ON JUNE 28, 1976
WILKINS VOLUNTARILY COMPLETED QUOTE SWORN TESTIMONY UNQUOTE
OF NEARLY 900 PAGES BEFORE QUOTE OFFICIAL SECRETARIES OF
THE COURT, WITHOUT THE PRESSURES OF FEDERAL PROSECUTORS
NOR OF THE POLICE, IN A JUDICIAL TERRITORY OF THE UNITED
STATES WHICH IS HIS HOME, AND WHICH IS INDEPENDENT OF THE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK. THIS SWORN TESTIMONY
CONFIRMS AND AMPLIFIES IN EVERY SENSE THE CIRCUMSTANCES
AND CONTENT OF THE SUBQUOTE GRANDES SECIES DE EXCELSIOR
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END SUBQUOTE UNQUOTE.

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2. EXCELSIOR ALLEGES THAT WILKINS' SWORN STATEMENT OF MAY 21, 1976 REPRESENTED THE WORDS OF ELLIOT SAGOR AND NOT OF WILKINS'. ITS CONTENTS WERE NOT INDEPENDENTLY VERIFIED. QUOTE ONLY THE SIGNATURE OF WILKINS WAS AUTHENTICATED BY A NOTARY WHO AS CAN BE IMAGINED IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE JUDICIAL SUB-TERRITORY OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK. UNQUOTE. EXCELSIOR FURTHER ALLEGES THE MAY 21 STATEMENT QUOTE CONTAINS FALSEHOODS AND OMISSIONS, AND WAS PREPARED BY THE HIGH OFFICIALS INVOLVED AND SIGNED BY WILKINS UNDER PRESSURE AND THREATS UNQUOTE. A KEY OMISSION WAS ALLEGEDLY THE FAILURE TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO DISCUSSIONS OF POSSIBLE ASSASSINATION.

3. EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT IS ESSENTIAL PROMPTLY TO DENY THESE ALLEGATIONS (PARA 2 ABOVE) CONCERNING THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF WILKINS' MAY 21 DECLARATION IF THEY ARE NOT TRUE. REQUEST NIACT IMMEDIATE RESPONSE SO THAT WE CAN MAKE APPROPRIATE STATEMENT.

4. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE URGENT EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE WILKINS' ALLEGED STATEMENT OF JUNE 28 AND TO OBTAIN A COPY.

5. LONGER REPORT ON FINAL CHAPTER OF EXCELSIOR SERIES WILL BE PROVIDED BY SEPTEL. TODMAN UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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